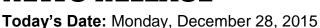
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

RESURFACING/SHOULDER WIDENING ON HIGHWAY 1/17 BEGINS NEXT WEEK

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY— A project to resurface and widen the shoulders of Highway 1/17 in Santa Cruz County will begin on Monday, Jan. 4, weather permitting.

Phase 1 will last approximately two months and will include the following closures.

The northbound Hwy. 1 loop ramp (Fishhook) will be reduced to one lane and subject to full closures Monday through Friday from 8:00 pm until 5:30 am. Motorists may detour onto Pasatiempo Drive. Southbound Hwy. 17 is subject to be reduced to one lane Monday through Friday from 8 pm until 5:30 am.

Phase 2 will last approximately two months and will include the following closures.

Southbound Hwy. 17 will be reduced to one lane Monday through Friday from 10 pm until 5:30 am. The northbound Hwy. 1 ramp (Fishhook) will be subject to lane and full closures Monday through Friday from 8:00 pm until 5:30 am. Motorists may detour onto Pasatiempo Drive.

Motorists can expect delays not to exceed 15-20 minutes. This project, when completed next spring will create two dedicated lanes on northbound Hwy. 1 from the Fishhook. The contractor for this \$1.2 million project is Granite Construction of Santa Clara, CA.

Caltrans reminds motorists to move over and slow down when driving through highway construction zones.

For more information on this project and for traffic updates on other Caltrans projects in Santa Cruz County, residents can call the District 5 toll free number at 1-831-423-0396 or can visit our website at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/paffairs/release.htm#scr



